

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1559

**Introduced by Committee on Labor and Employment (Monning
(Chair), Eng, Furutani, Ma, and Portantino)**

March 11, 2009

An act to amend Section 14206 of the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to unemployment insurance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1559, as introduced, Committee on Labor and Employment. California Workforce Investment Act: local workforce investment boards.

Existing law, the California Workforce Investment Act, establishes the California Workforce Investment Board, which is the body responsible for assisting the Governor in the development, oversight, and continuous improvement of California's workforce investment system, and prescribes the functions and duties of the board. Existing law also requires the local chief elected officials in a local workforce development to form, pursuant to specified guidelines established by the Governor and the board, a local workforce investment board, and prescribes the duties of the board with regard to the development and implementation of local workforce investment plans, as specified.

This bill would additionally provide that it shall also be the duty of the local board to facilitate the implementation of summer youth training programs through partnerships and effective collaboration. The bill, by imposing new duties on local government with respect to the implementation of these programs, would impose a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 14206 of the Unemployment Insurance
- 2 Code is amended to read:
- 3 14206. It shall be the duty of the local board to do all of the
- 4 following:
- 5 (a) Coordinate workforce investment activities in the local area
- 6 with economic development strategies.
- 7 (b) Promote participation of private sector employers in the
- 8 local workforce investment system.
- 9 (c) Develop and submit a local workforce investment plan to
- 10 the Governor.
- 11 (d) Select one-stop operators, with the agreement of the local
- 12 chief elected official, annually review their operations, and
- 13 terminate for cause the eligibility of such operators.
- 14 (e) Award grants or contracts to eligible providers of youth
- 15 activities in the local area on a competitive basis, consistent with
- 16 the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, based upon the
- 17 recommendations of the youth council.
- 18 (f) Identify, consistent with the Workforce Investment Act of
- 19 1998, eligible providers of training services.
- 20 (g) Identify eligible providers of intensive services and, when
- 21 the one-stop operator does not provide intensive services to the
- 22 local area, award contracts to those providers.
- 23 (h) Develop local policy on the amount and duration of
- 24 individual training accounts based upon the market rate for local
- 25 training programs.
- 26 (i) Conduct program oversight over workforce investment
- 27 activities in the local area.

1 (j) Negotiate with the local chief elected official in the local
2 area and the Governor on local performance measures for the local
3 area.

4 (k) Assist in the development of a statewide employment
5 statistics system, which shall be developed in conjunction with
6 and shall utilize to the fullest extent possible, the Employment
7 Development Department's labor market information system.

8 *(l) Facilitate the implementation of summer youth training*
9 *programs through partnerships and effective collaboration.*

10 SEC. 2. If the Commission on State Mandates determines that
11 this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to
12 local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made
13 pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division
14 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.